

Attorney Docket No. 81868.0025

**REMARKS**

The application was filed with six claims. Claims 7-11 and 12-16 were added in prior amendments. Claims 1-11 were rejected in the most recent Office Action; claims 12-16 were allowed.

Claims 1-11 are cancelled from the application in this paper.

In view of the cancellation of all non-allowed claims from the application, it is respectfully submitted that the remaining claims 12-16 and the application as a whole are now in condition for allowance. Reexamination, reconsideration, and allowance of the application, as amended, are thus respectfully requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the Los Angeles, California telephone number (213) 337-6711 to discuss the steps necessary for placing the application in condition for allowance.

If there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-1314.

Respectfully submitted,  
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